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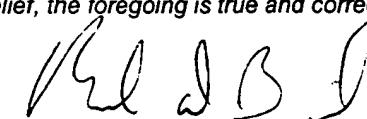
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## ASSIGNMENT OF PATENT APPLICATION

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WHEREAS, **D. Bruce Modesitt**, of 120 Wingate Avenue, San Carlos, California 94070, **Michael Zung**, of 5791 Chambertin Drive, San Jose, California 95118, **Michael Barrett**, of 677 Kenneth Avenue, Campbell, California 95008, **Bernard H. Andreas**, of 36812 Second Street, Fremont, California 94536, and **Lewis Isbell**, of 34800 Hollyhock Street, Union City, California 94587 hereinafter referred to as "Assignors," are the inventors of the invention described and set forth in the below-identified application for United States Letters Patent:

Title of Invention: **ARTICULATING SUTURING DEVICE  
AND METHOD**

Date(s) of execution  
of Declaration:

Filing Date: **March 4, 1999**

Application No.: **09/262,402**

WHEREAS, **PerClose, Inc.**, located at 400 Saginaw Drive, Redwood City, California, 94063, hereinafter referred to as "ASSIGNEE," is desirous of acquiring an interest in the invention and application and in any U.S. Letters Patent and Registrations which may be granted on the same;

For good and valuable consideration, receipt of which is hereby acknowledged by Assignors, Assignors have assigned, and by these presents do assign to Assignee all right, title and interest in and to the invention and application and to all foreign counterparts (including patent, utility model and industrial designs), and in and to any Letters Patent and Registrations which may hereafter be granted on the same in the United States and all countries throughout the world, and to claim the priority from the application as provided by the Paris Convention. The right, title and interest is to be held and enjoyed by Assignee and Assignee's successors and assigns as fully and exclusively as it would have been held and enjoyed by Assignors had this Assignment not been made, for the full term of any Letters Patent and Registrations which may be granted thereon, or of any division, renewal, continuation in whole or in part, substitution, conversion, reissue, prolongation or extension thereof.

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IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, Assignors have signed their names on the dates indicated.

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